(SRI S. R. KANTHI)

desired by them have been undertaken. The donation of Sri H. Narayana Rao has been deposited in Mysore District Treasury in S. B. Account No. 14652.

(*c*) The unspent amount of Rs. 1,000 has earned an interest of Rs. 231-11 nP. so far.

Amount spent every year by the Adult Education Council for the purchase of books to be distributed to Rural Libraries.

Q.—150. SRI C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the amount spent every year for the last 3 years by the Adult Education Council for purchase of books to be distributed to Rural Libraries;

(*b*) the number of books so purchased and distributed every year during the above period;

(*c*) what is the amount of commission realised by such purchase;

(*d*) to what account the said commission is credited?

A.—SRI S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—

		Rs.	nP.
(*a*)	1959-60	15,808	91
	1960-61	31,157	07
	1961-62	14,075	98

		Rs.
(*b*)	1959-60	21,185
	1960-61	19,634
	1961-62	24,026

(*c*) This is not available because the bills are preferred for the net amount after deducting the commission allowed ranges from 6¼% to 25%. As such the Council does not get this commission in cash.

(*d*) In view of answer given to clause (*c*), this does not arise.

Construction of a High Level Causeway across a Halla near Varthur in Magadi taluk.

Q.—151. SRI C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether there is a longstanding agitation by the people of Magadi Taluk and Nelamangala Taluk for the construction of high level causeway across a halla near Varthur between these two Taluks;

(*b*) whether the P. W. D. have prepared any estimate in this behalf;

(*c*) what are the impediments to start this work ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

(*a*) Representations have been received.
(*b*) Yes.
(*c*) Lack of funds.

Auditing of the work done by the N.E S. and Taluk Development Board of Magadi Taluk.

Q.—152. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

whether the Department of Efficiency Audit or any other agency audited the work of the N. E S. and Taluk Development Board, Magadi, at any time and if so with what result (detail about the audit report may be furnished) ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

The Internal Audit party attached to Bangalore Division, for the audit of Block accounts audited the accounts of Magadi Block for the year 1960-61 during September 1961. The major irregularities noticed and the action taken by the Block Development Officer is indicated below.

The audit of Taluk Development Board accounts has been entrusted to the Controller, State Accounts Department, and the audit of Magadi Taluk Development Board's accounts is being taken up according to programme.

Extract of the Inspection Report relating to Magadi Block for the year 1960-61.

	Action taken by the B. D. O.
(i) Cash book has not been maintained in accordance with financial rules.	Cash book will be maintained in accordance with financial rules.
(ii) Irregular recovery of security deposit from officials.	Security Depoist from officials are being recovered regularly.
(iii) Purchase of Chairs and Almirahs by the Block other than the rate contract firm resulting in excess payment of Rs. 210—50.	Final reply is due from the Block Development Officer.